

# HUNEWILL CIRCLE "H" GUEST RANCH

BRIDGEPORT, MONO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA







THE RANCH HOUSE, WITH THE CRAGS IN THE BACKGROUND



CHILDREN ENJOY IT, TOO



A PICNIC 10,000 FEET UP



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## Automobile Trips

You can make many interesting automobile trips from the Hunewill Ranch. Bridgeport, the county seat of Mono County, is only 6 miles away, and is our contact with the outside world by telephone, telegraph and stage.

Southward within a radius of 20 or 30 miles are the interesting old mining towns of Bodie, Aurora and Lundy, and mysterious Mono Lake, famous for its alkaline water and its background of extinct volcanoes.

To the north, you can drive in a few hours to Reno, Lake Tahoe, the great \$10,000,000 Naval ammunition depot at Hawthorne, Nevada, and the most famous mining town in all history—Virginia City—center of the Comstock Lode.

## Accommodations

Our guests are accommodated in the ranch house and in nearby sleeping cabins. The ranch house is a fine old two-story Colonial house surrounded by tall poplars that are the most prominent landmarks in the valley. It has a spacious living room with a piano brought around the Horn, dining room with cheery fireplace, large kitchen and comfortable bedrooms. There are modern toilets and showers with hot and cold water. The ranch has its own electric light plant.

The bracing mountain air is sure to give you a fine appetite, which we guarantee to satisfy. Our meals are served family style, with all the good, wholesome food you can eat. We produce our own beef and chickens, and plenty of fresh milk, cream, cottage cheese and butter.

Everything at the Hunewill Ranch is informal. While we offer no luxuries, you will find our accommodations quite comfortable.

We limit the number of guests at any one time to 20.

## What to Wear

Riding clothes and sports clothes are the most appropriate at our ranch. Too much dress changes a ranch into a resort, and we wish to avoid that. Many of our guests wear the blue jeans, or "Levis," that are standard cowboy dress throughout the West.

While the summer days are pleasantly warm, the evenings and mornings are always cool because of the altitude, so a coat or heavy sweater will come in handy.

## Hunting and Fishing

Many guests come to the Hunewill Ranch to hunt and fish. The streams and lakes near the Ranch are well stocked with trout. Deer and ducks are plentiful in season, and you can hardly ride anywhere on the ranch without seeing a coyote. There are sage hen in nearby Nevada.



GETTING READY FOR A PACK TRIP

## How to Get There

By automobile, the Hunewill Ranch is an easy day's drive from either San Francisco or Los Angeles over excellent and beautiful motor roads. Bridgeport, junction for the Ranch, is on El Camino Sierra, the paved highway between Los Angeles and Reno on the eastern side of the Sierra Nevada. The Sonora Pass when open is the most direct route from San Francisco. From San Francisco there are both train and stage connections, via Reno to Bridgeport, and from Los Angeles the inland stage stops twice daily at Bridgeport where the Ranch car meets guests by appointment.

The fast service of United Air Lines makes the Hunewill Ranch only an overnight flight from New York, Chicago and other eastern cities. Reno, a regular United Air Lines stop, is only 2 1/2 hours from the Ranch by auto or stage.

The Ranch has its own landing field for private planes.



SAGE HEN FROM NEVADA



MULETAIL DEER



A NICE MESS OF GOLDEN TROUT



PUTTING THE "CIRCLE H" ON A CALF



"COW HANDS" ENTERTAIN AT A STEAK FRY AT TWIN LAKES

## Rates for 1939

Room and meals, including private saddle horse:

1 PERSON . . . . . \$45 a week or \$160 per month

2 PEOPLE sharing one room,  
each . . . . . \$40 per week or \$145 per month

Room and meals, *not* including saddle horse:

1 PERSON . . . . . \$40 a week or \$145 per month

2 PEOPLE sharing one room,  
each . . . . . \$35 a week or \$130 per month

Half rates for children under 10 years of age.

No reservations made for less than a week.

A deposit of \$5 to be applied on the last week of the stay is requested of each guest when making reservations.

The Ranch is open to guests from May 1st to November 1st. We urge you to make your reservations early.



SWIMMING IN WARM MINERAL SPRINGS, NOT FAR FROM THE RANCH



RESTING, BEFORE RETURNING TO THE RANCH AFTER A MORNING'S RIDE



MR. HUNEWILL DEMONSTRATES HOW TO ROPE A CALF FOR BRANDING





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**DURING MAY**—Dehorning of steers.

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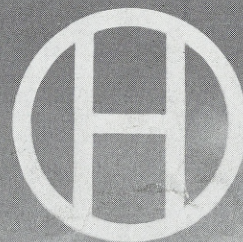
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**OCTOBER**—Duck shooting, coyote and deer hunting. Cattle drive from Bridgeport to Smith Valley.

Other activities are arranged every day of the ranch season: Horseback rides to points of interest in the valley or up in the mountains, fish fries on Buckeye Creek, pack trips (by arrangement), hikes, swimming parties, steak fries on the beach at Twin Lakes, fishing and hunting trips, breaking horses, working cattle, horseshoeing, etc.

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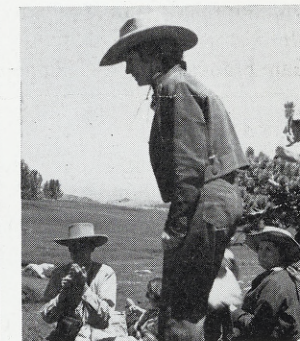
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